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REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 USC § 1.111

In response to the Official Action dated October 7, 2005, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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